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(57) Abstract: An oral vaccine comprises liposomes and complexed or, preferably, entrapped DNA operatively encoding an antigen, in which the liposomes are formed from components including cationic compounds and zwitterionic phospholipids. The hydrophobic groups within the liposome forming compounds must include at least one group which is saturated. This is believed to raise the transition temperature, rendering the liposomes more stable when delivered orally. The compositions have been found to give detectable increased in IgA levels, secreted immunoglobulins of importance in efficacious oral vaccine delivery.



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